At a regular monthly meeting of the Buckingham County Board of Supervisors held on Monday, January 13, 2020 at 6:00 p.m. in the Buckingham County Administration Complex, the following members were present: Harry W. Bryant, Jr., Chairman; Don Matthews, Vice Chairman; Robert C. Jones; Donald E. Bryan; T. Jordan Miles, III; Joe N. Chambers, Jr.; and Danny R. Allen. Also present were Rebecca S. Carter, County Administrator; Karl Carter, Asst. County Administrator; Cheryl T. “Nicci” Edmondston, Zoning Administrator; and E. M. Wright, Jr., County Attorney.

Re: Call to Order

County Administrator Carter called the meeting to order.

Re: Establishment of a Quorum

County Administrator Carter certified there was a quorum. Seven of seven members present. The meeting could continue.

Re: Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance

Supervisor Chambers gave the invocation and the Pledge of Allegiance was said by all who were in attendance.

Re: Consider vote for the seating of Supervisor Bryant as the 2020 Chairman of the Board

Carter: The next order of business will be the seating on the 2020 Chairman of the Board of Supervisors. This is on a rotation and so the 2020 Chairman is Mr. Harry Bryant. Congratulations and I’ll turn the gavel over to you, sir.

Bryan: I move that Supervisor Harry Bryant be Chairman of the Board.

Supervisor Bryan moved, Supervisor Allen seconded and was unanimously carried by the Board for Supervisor Bryant to be the 2020 Chairman of the Board of Supervisors.

Re: Consider vote for the seating of Supervisor Matthews as the 2020 Vice Chairman of the Board

Bryant: A motion for Vice Chairman for Don Matthews.

Bryan: Mr. Chairman I move that Don Matthews be the Vice Chairman of the Board.
Chambers: Second.

Supervisor Bryan moved, Supervisor Chambers seconded and was unanimously carried by the Board for Supervisor Matthews to be the 2020 Vice Chairman of the Board of Supervisors.

Re: Approval of Agenda

Supervisor Bryan moved, Supervisor Miles seconded and was unanimously carried by the Board to approve the agenda with addendum.

Re: Approval of Minutes

Supervisor Bryan moved, Supervisor Allen seconded and was unanimously carried by the Board to approve the minutes of the December 9, 2019 meeting as presented.

Re: Approval of Claims

Supervisor Bryan moved, Supervisor Allen seconded and was unanimously carried by the Board to approve the claims as presented.

Re: Approval of the 2020 By-Laws and Rules of Procedure

Carter: Yes, Mr. Chairman. Most of the changes you will see there in red. Most are just housekeeping. One I put the County Attorney as the attorney for the Industrial Development Authority also. He does that but just to make the By-Laws come into compliance. Also, adding Assistant County Administrator to a couple committees that he is involved in. I guess the biggest change. The Utilities Committee handles Water and Sewer and Solid Waste. We’ve got the project going on at Sprouse’s Corner with the sewer and we have the Solid Waste projects going on with site renovations. So it’s been discussed by a few Board members and myself to separate those two committees. So that has been done so now we are proposing a Water/Wastewater Utilities committee that consists of two board members, county attorney, the assistant county administrator; the water/wastewater utilities director and county administrator. Then the Solid Waste Committee consist two board members, the county administrator, the assistant county administrator, the county attorney and the Solid Waste Supervisor.

If you have any questions on any of the…

Bryant: The Board members have this in their packet and they know what they are I think.

Miles: Mr. Chairman, I move that the By-Laws be adopted as amended.

Bryant: Any discussion? Call for the vote. Unanimous.

Supervisor Miles moved, Vice Chairman Matthews seconded and was unanimously carried by the Board to approve the 2020 By-Laws and Rules of Procedure as amended.
Re: Chairman Welcome’s new board member, Thomas Jordan Miles III

**Bryant:** I’d like to say one thing before I go any further. I’m trying to put Thomas Jordan Miles to be nervous because we recognized him. He is a fine gentleman and congratulate you on your success here. We are glad to have you on the Board and we expect you to be a team player and if we can help you let us know and if you can help us we will holler.

**Miles:** I do look forward to working with you gentlemen and representing the Maysville District and learning from you and soaking up as much information as I can. Thank you gentlemen.

Re: Public Comments

**John Gwatowsky, District 6:** Good evening folks. I go by Jason, my middle name, in District 6. First and foremost I want to thank you for last month adopting the 2nd Amendment Sanctuary. We’ve now got a majority of the counties doing that and I’ve wanted to come back again to thank you very much for doing that for us. One of the biggest reasons I’m here tonight other than that is obviously there is still a lot of work on that front to be done. Some of that was going through in Richmond today. One in particular that caught my eye is SB35. Okay. If this continues to go through, which it is expected it will, it will grant counties or localities I believe the right phrase is, the ability to adopt their own gun free zones. Permitted events, parades, protests and things of that sort. Parks I believe is on there. While that partially went through today and obviously hasn’t been finalized and I have not had time to do anything else other than work and try to get here for the start, one of the things I wanted to bring to the Board’s attention is that since this is not a…SB35 is not a demanding thing from the state but more open to the localities and counties their options, I’m going to try to formally get everything in order to ask the Board to adopt wording that it will not put in place gun free zones. Meaning parks, permitted events and things of that sort. It’s gone so far now as to take it to even Farmers Markets, concealed carry holders will not be able to carry their firearms with them to Farmers Market. I’m sorry but that makes that a more dangerous place in my opinion, because even though law enforcement does a great job, if you have people that are permit holders and have proven they are not a danger but an asset, bad guys like to pick on those for targets. If we don’t have places where people can go and help protect in time of need, I think that would be a very bad thing. I want to bring that to the Board’s attention and I’m going to try to get things paperwork wise because I’m not great at this part to yall so you can hopefully put something on the books that says we respect everybody’s rights down the board, all of them and not singling people out and telling them basically that they can’t go to these events.

**Donna McRae Jones, District 3:** Good evening gentlemen. Congratulations. I missed the agenda so I have to be public so I’ll be brief. My name is Donna McRae Jones and I’m from District 3. I ask that my veteran VFW stand with me and everyone from American Legion stand as well. I have proposed, I’m working with VFW and American Legion and also Buckingham JROTC. As you know the Ruritans put on the Memorial Program every year. This year will be our 30th year. JROTC you have probably seen in the paper have done an excellent job of representing Buckingham. Given this is the 30th year I’m proposing to put together a souvenir journal to raise funds to help them with their expenses representing Buckingham. The ads will
be full page $125; half page $75. In addition to that we will have patrons or memorials. That would mean that anyone could put in a loved one’s name. For instance Sgt. Charles F. Lewis, US Marine. Or they can list their name for the amount of $10. As I stated the proceeds from this adventure would go to the JROTC. The Buckingham High School JROTC is informative with it and so is the Principal Kyle Bryan. In addition to that I would like the officials of Buckingham be in the book with either a joint picture, and/or help with the finances with a donation. A letter from the Board would be important for this event. Also I will solicit letters from other officials from Virginia as well. Also any other military events in Buckingham to support us. With that, I’m done.

**Jesse Warner, District 4:** Hello, are you this evening? I’ll keep it brief and simple and quick. My name is Jesse Warner. I live just south of Sprouse’s Corner on 15. I’m trying to propose to move the speed limit sign of 45 from Shield Anderson’s driveway down to Andersonville Road. It gives just enough room for people to slow down so if there are kids in the yard playing, you don’t have to make a quick judgement just trying to grab them or what not. You know what I mean. I live on one acre so there is not much wiggle room for a lot of us that live right there in a short distance. Being said, by April there will be 16 kids that live in a quarter mile south of Sprouse’s Corner. My neighbor has 8. We are trying to get the 45 from Shields like I said to Andersonville would be nice. A little wiggle room. It’s from Sprouse’s Corner all the way to Dillwyn, why can’t we have that little section. You know what I mean. I don’t think it’s going to hurt to much with people trying to get somewhere so fast. You know. Just slow it down for a small community. I have a petition of seven signatures from this little area agreeing with what I’m trying to do now. By the facts 5200 vehicles drive by my driveway a day. So, you know. A lot of moving vehicles and we are trying to keep it safe for the kids. That way we will have some wiggle room. Thank you.

**Matthews:** That petition, you may want to give it to Mr. Fredrick right there.

**Sammy Smith, District 5:** Good evening. I’m Sammy Smith from District 5. You may or may not know by now but due to circumstanced well beyond my control, I will no longer be on your Planning Commission. That does not mean I’m going to stop coming to Planning Commission meetings. I haven’t missed one in 13 years. I don’t plan on missing one now. I will still be your liaison between Farm Bureau and the Board of Supervisors. So you will still see my smiling, charming face all the time. Well, it’s been a wonderful 8 years on the PC. I think we’ve gotten a lot of work done. A lot of quality work done. I was really excited about working with our new Economic Developer but I guess we will have to send notes back and forth like we did back in elementary school. Ok. Thank you very much. I appreciate it.

**Quinn Robinson, District 4:** Good evening, Mr. Chairman. My name is Quinn Robinson, District 4. The rules say I have to address you and be recognized.

**Bryant:** Ok. Thank you.
Robinson: Thank you sir. That’s the other thing. Are we under the 2020 rules or the rules of last month applicable to this meeting? We just accepted new rules. The Board just voted on new rules. Is that what is in place?

Bryant: That’s the By-Laws. Yeah.

Robinson: Thank you. Anyway, my impression of the meeting last month was just unfortunate. It was remarkable and regrettable as far as I’m concerned. The fact that we had such long standing protocol for how things were to be done and the minute the gun crowd came, it was all thrown out. The agenda was an upheaval. People were clapping, whistling, yelling through the proceedings. A majority, overwhelming majority were not from Buckingham. It was a total breakdown of procedure, protocol and principle that every time you come in here you salute the flag about liberty and justice for all and then you go ahead and stomp over the constitution. It’s just not right. The same kind of tactics we encountered when Dominion was fooling around in here and they still are by the way. It’s just not appropriate. I hope that you can look into the future because this is going to start impacting Buckingham in a long way and a hard way. If you are going to keep behaving in this antebellum attitude with preserving guns for everybody and sanctuaries, fine, but people aren’t going to want to live here. People aren’t going to want to invest here. It’s going to make you along with these others pariah in the Commonwealth. It might be time for another West Virginia, you know. The conflict was such in the time of the Civil War, they created West Virginia. They just put aside all the people that didn’t agree with all this stuff in separation. I can’t give you the dates and all that. But you really have done an irresponsible, reckless thing. There is a quote from Mr. Cleave recently. He’s the one in charge of the gun runners. “Hopefully it will not be another Charlottesville” Cleave said. “Blaming the police and state planning for the violence that erupted during the 2017 seem like the right”. Also the minutes did not record the arrant salutes that were made during that meeting.

Kenda Hanuman, District 5: Good evening. I want to recognize Jordan Miles as the new Maysville District Supervisor. The outreach he’s shown his constituents. He’s put together a beautiful newsletter that makes it easy for his constituents to find the information about these meetings and to reach him. I encourage all district Supervisors to take this on. To engage their constituents. Voters here in Buckingham County could benefit from easy, effective access to their representatives. Also, I want to let everyone know that Marie Flowers whose been a regular attendee to these meetings is in the Farmville Hospital and will be recovering for possibly several months. She asked me to let you know the reason for her absence and for her heart felt support for Jordan Miles. I’d like to thank Alexa Massie and the Farmville Herald for featuring that the ACP permit has been vacated. The article. (She showed the paper) Thank you.

Karen Brown, District 7: Pardon me, I’m going to read so I don’t run over my 3 minutes. I’m here to address the Board’s dereliction of duty to the citizens of Buckingham County. On the County Website it says that the Board is to assure a fiscally sound county government responsible to the needs of residents but yet three issues that I asked Supervisor Allen to address in a letter that I sent him on September 2019, the letter was completely ignored and was not even give acknowledgement that he received the letter. I followed up with letters to Chairman Bryan in advance to the November 2019 meeting. Two of these issues were added to the Board
meeting agenda in November but no significant action has taken place on these issues since. These issues were: 1. Providing recourse to those of us living next to excessively barking dogs. 2. The safety of Buffalo Road. Good luck on that reduced speed limit sign. 3. Guidance of dealing with drones over my property. In addition I asked the Board to consider working with our providers to improve internet access and speed and to make changes to county’s website to make sure information was more readily accessible. Regarding the noise ordinance for excessively disruptive dogs. As a reminder, the Board has a duty to citizens to enforce this noise ordinance which states at certain levels noise could be detrimental to the health, welfare, safety and quality of life of its inhabitants of the county and in the public interest, noise should be restricted. It is therefore the policy of the county to reduce or eliminate where possible excessive noise and related adverse conditions in the community and to prohibit unnecessary excessive harmful and annoying noises from all sorts of subjects. There is more which I will not read because you ought to know it. In my letters to both Supervisor Allen in September and Supervisor Bryan in November I outlined the run around I’ve been enduring for six years of being unable to get sleep in my own house with my neighbors unattended kennel of 15 barking dogs, continually and excessively barking at all hours of the day and night. I’ve discussed in my meeting with Sheriff Kidd where he explained the problem was enforcing the existing noise ordinance in the past has been established in a noise letter. In my letter to the Board I included Powhatan’s level of measurement and at the November Board meeting I shared with the Board members the EPA’s level for detrimental noise for outside activities which is 55 decibels. I would point out in one month’s time this Board has come up with a symbolic 2nd Amendment Resolution that it approved at the December meeting and yet in a phone call to our county administrator today I was told the county’s attorney was working on the noise ordinance and is still not ready 3.5 months after I first raised the issue with my district supervisor Mr. Allen and 2 months after I raised the issue to Chairman Bryan. So I ask, why is the Board not attending to its duty to assure that health safety laws and quality of life of inhabitants of the county and the public interest, noise should be restricted.

Bryant: Time is up. Thank you.

Brown: I will be back to address safety issues on Buffalo Road because it’s quite atrocious.

Eddie Slagel, District 3: Mr. Chairman, members of the Board, Mrs. Carter, Mrs. Edmondston, I just wanted to congratulate you all on your reelection and Mr. Miles on being elected to the Board and it’s nice to see Mrs. Carter still sitting here. I don’t know what we would do without her. Just a couple things this evening. Mr. Miles told me to keep it short. It has to do with the Amish committee. Just some points that I had come up with and maybe we could have an informational meeting to educate the public and the Amish. We are all sharing the roads together. Requests, whenever I bring it up they say DMV is the one that should initiate all of this. Maybe if the Board could send something to DMV saying Buckingham County needs some regulations on this because some of the buggies you look at night look like circus wagons and others just have 2 small lights on the back. So if we could do some sort of uniform lighting. It was brought to me to bring up about a tail bag because one of our residents said his wife is tired of running through it when she gets her car cleaned. Then, with the increased presents in my area, I feel the next serious accident is going to be on CAIRA, Back Mountain or Salem Church
because of all the speed of the pulp and sludge trucks going through that area. I really would like to see enforcement of the speed limits out there. When Scot was still here, he did the survey and actually posted the sign and said that was the only way they could enforce it was if the signs were posted. We’d like to see enforcement of that. The other thing, with regards to the noise ordinance. I was glad to see Mr. Bryan form a committee to look into that because unfortunately if you ask a question about the noise ordinance, the answer is it’s not addressed in the ordinance. The ordinance is very vague. Also, I don’t know if you ever thought about putting some of us on the committee instead of just county people. I’m sure there are people out there who would like to help especially if it’s going to make Buckingham a better place. Thank you.

Franz Bailey, District 5: Good evening. I’m Franz Bailey from District 5. I want to thank you for your service. Thank you for the opportunity to address you as well. Thank you for standing for the Constitution. Thank you.

Re: Public Hearing: Application 19-ZTASUP268 Allen Perkins to Add Privately Owned Parks and Playgrounds to the list of Special Use Permits in the Agricultural 1 Zoning Districts

Edmondston: Tonight there is a public hearing being held in regard to Case Number 19-ZTASUP268. The applicant is Allen Perkins. The landowner is Dennis Allen. This request is to add a Zoning Text Amendment to privately owned parks and playgrounds to the list of Special Uses in the A-1 zoning district and approve a Special Use Permit for that purpose. The property in question for this proposed park which will operate as Allen’s Adventures is tax map 54 lot 71 containing approximately 28 acres and located on Rt. 15, James Madison Hwy. in New Canton and is the Marshall Magisterial District. The intent provided by the business plan from Mr. Perkins is to operate a park and playground, walking trails, access to a pond which is on the property and has been inspected to be utilized if this is approved to move forward, pick you own berry farm and also honeybee operation as well. Our applicant Mr. Perkins is present tonight for any questions you may have. Please note that all the conditions come forward as recommendation of approval from the Planning Commission.

Conditions:

1. That all federal, state and local regulations, ordinances and laws be strictly adhered to.
2. Commencement off construction for the various structures listed in the submitted narrative, to include; store front, play park, walking trails, pond beach are, public toilets, concession stand shall begin within two (2) years of the time that the approval by the Board off Supervisors becomes final and non-appealable or this special use permit shall be null and void.
3. No building shall be located within fifty feet (50’) of any front property line and not within twenty-five feet (25’) of any adjoining side or rear property line.
4. The location of the park/playground shall follow generally the geographic site as submitted in the application.
5. A 50 foot buffer must be maintained at all times around the entire perimeter of property.
6. A chain link fence must be constructed at and around the dam.
7. A fence must be constructed between the playground equipment and the pond.
8. The park may operate from dawn to dusk, except special events.
9. That the applicant follows the County Solid Waste Ordinance.
10. That all documentation submitted by the applicant in support of this special use permit request becomes a part of the conditions except that any such documentation that may be inconsistent with these enumerated conditions shall be superseded by these conditions.
11. Nothing in this approval shall be deemed to obligate the County to acquire any interest in property, to construct, maintain or operate any facility or to grant any permits or approvals except as may be directly related hereto.
12. Right of ways and roadway shoulders shall not be used for parking.
13. If the park/playground discontinues operation for a period longer than two years (24 months) then the permit becomes null and void.
14. The County Zoning Administrator and one other County staff member, as appointed by the County Administrator, shall be allowed to enter the property, with proper notice, if a complaint is registered against the property for noncompliance with this permit. Any complaints not solely related to this permit will be given to the appropriate department or agency.
15. In the event that any one or more of the conditions is declared void for any reason whatever, such decision shall not affect the remaining portion of the permit, which shall remain in full force and effect, and for this purpose, the provisions of this are hereby declared to be severable.
16. That any infraction of the above mentioned conditions could lead to a sop order and discontinuation of the special use permit, if it be the wishes of the Board of Supervisors.
17. That the applicant (s) understands the conditions and agrees to the conditions.

Allen: Mr. Chairman, before you get to far. The name Dennis Allen, I have a brother with that name but this is not my brother. Not my family. Just to let you know.

Bryant: At this time we will open the public hearing for comments.

Edmondston: No one signed up for the public hearing.

Bryant: Alright.

Bryan: Did anyone speak during the planning commission?

Edmondston: Yes. Let me go back to my notes. I believe we had five people to speak. George Pankey, Coty Whittington, Barbara Person, Michael Houirham, and the property of Coty Whittington and Barbara Person, they are a couple. Their property is to the rear adjacent to this property. They were not necessarily opposed to the park itself but to the property line. They have livestock that just the fencing they have, they have concerns to the safety of individuals going to far on the property of Mr. Perkins and Mr. Allen and possibly upsetting their livestock on entering their land and causing a liability for them. George Pankey was there because he does have cattle on that property and he in in support of any business owner being able to move forward for financial gain and benefit of the county but he didn’t want the liability of interfering
with the livestock. The concern was basically children getting into those fields and Mr. Hourihm was in support of the project altogether, 100%. If you notice the condition that the planning commission approved you will see that no building should be located within 50’ of any property line and 25’ but you will also see they offered a 50’ buffer at all times around the perimeter of the property so the expectation is that the property utilized will no longer be within 50’ which should keep livestock at adjacent property or any interference with anyone else’s ability to do what they want on their land. One thing that I’d like to add when you vote there will need to be two separate votes. One will be a motion to add the text amendment to the zoning district A1 for privately owned parks and playgrounds and the second motion will be to approve the special use permit. So we need two separate actions.

Miles: Mr. Chairman, if I could ask a question of Mrs. Edmondston? Mrs. Edmondston, it’s my understanding does lie within the growth corridor area as deemed by the Comprehensive Plan. Is that right?

Edmondston: Yes.

Miles: Thank you.

Bryant: I close the public hearing. We need a motion.

Miles: Mr. Chairman I move that we adopt the zoning text amendment.

Bryan: Second. Mr. Chairman, you closed the public hearing. Then Mr. Miles made a motion to adopt the zoning text amendment.

Bryant: We had a motion and a second to adopt the Zoning Text Amendment. Any discussion on that? Call for the vote then. Unanimous, yes. Motion passed.

*Supervisor Miles moved, Supervisor Bryan seconded and was unanimously carried by the Board to adopt the zoning text amendment to allow privately owned parks/playgrounds in Agriculture 1 district.*

*Supervisor Bryan moved, Supervisor Allen seconded and was unanimously carried by the Board to approve 19-ZTASUP268 for Allen Perkins for a privately owned park/playground.*

Re: VDOT Road Matters

Scott Fredrick: Good evening, Chairman, Board, Mrs. Carter. Thank you guys for having me tonight. I’ll keep it brief. We’ve been up to our routine maintenance. We are happy to have it that way. We did have a snow event last week. We had a little bit of snow in Buckingham and all we had to do was put down a little bit of salt. Didn’t have to plow any of it. So we’ve had a few leaf complaints in the ditches and driveway pipes. We’ve been tacking those as they come in and doing some ditching along with that. We’ve been cutting brush in December and will continue into January on secondaries and some primaries. We’ve been machining on our dirt
roads as needed. This time of year it depends on the moisture levels and how much traffic are on them. We’ve had a couple problematic trees. One of them was on the 4 lane section of Rt. 60 that was brought to my attention by the chairman and that was taken down. We also had a tree on 56 near Toga Road at a cross drain there. It was a Sycamore tree and needed to come down. Also on Toga Road there were five 48” pipes where the Slate River crosses Toga Road. Four of those needed to be cleaned out so that was something we tackled this month so that road should be in better shape. We’ve been adding shoulder stone in drop off areas or low areas along the side of the road. Otherwise just tacking some work orders as they come in. I did make a note about the petition brought in by Mr. Warner. I’ll put a work order in to traffic engineering to do a speed study on that section there. I don’t know the full history. I learned this week that there used to be a roundabout sometime maybe in the 1960’s or 70’s at 60 and 15 there and that was taken out in the early 70’s. I wonder if that speed limit has been that ever since that project occurred. I guess that’s when they four laned 60. But I’ll get that done. It’s typically a 45 to 60 day turn around for traffic engineering office. They are a small staff and they serve ten counties for issues like this one so I takes them a little while for this when they come in. So I guess that’s all my major updates so far. I do want to congratulate Jordan Miles on his…I’ll call it your getting to serve the Maysville District and I think you will do well. Do you guys have anything you’d like to bring to my attention tonight?

Jones: Yes, I do. Scot, you’ve been the resident engineer for Buckingham and that also includes Cumberland, is that right?

Fredrick: Yes sir.

Jones: Cumberland, just like Buckingham comes under the regional office in Lynchburg. I will address the Amish situation later along with Cody, but I’ve had several people come to me to say we need to have signs put up like they have in Cumberland. Theirs is larger, better looking and nicer. Can you put some light on that?

Fredrick: I will have to look into it first to look into the details. We have been signing all four of the counties at the perimeter like here in Buckingham. The work orders have all been for the same sign, with the countywide at the top, the diamond shape sign with the horse and carriage and share the road across the bottom. We’ve done the same work order in all 4 counties. Prince Edward, Charlotte, Cumberland and Buckingham. It should be the same sign.

Jones: Alright. I intend to look also but thank you. I appreciate it.

Fredrick: If they are different I will either upgrade these. We want them to be consistent. If there is a difference I will fix that.

Jones: Thank you.

Fredrick: No problem.

Allen: The study on 631, I hadn’t heard any more about that?
Fredrick: I submitted a work order to traffic engineering. I haven’t gotten it back yet to give an update on it. Me and you did have a phone conversation about it about a month and a half ago. It should be getting close to coming back.

Miles: Mr. Fredrick, I do want to thank you for getting that one Amish buggy sign back up on Mohawk and 60 there that grew legs and walked off. The communication we had so that’s good to see. Thank you for cleaning out that gutter right off Sprouse’s Corner. Thank you too for addressing Mr. Morris’ concerns and his neighbors. I did want to ask about Red Road. I’ve had some calls about that and the shoulder and the finishing of that road. The Rt.60 end.

Fredrick: The 60 end of Red Road?

Miles: That half of Red Road, the completion of that project.

Fredrick: I got your email yesterday evening or today. I haven’t been able to verify status of that but I will get back to you.

Matthews: Scot, I had some issues last time too. Speed study on 608, I believe and there was a pothole at the end of Cole Road that’s off of 636. I don’t know if they have addressed that. I haven’t heard any information.

Fredrick: I know the pothole is done. The speed study hasn’t come back yet. It was submitted last month. They all kind of run together in my head. I’ll verify it. The pothole I believe has been done.

Bryant: Thank you taking that tree down on 60 there we talked about last month.

Fredrick: No problem. Thanks for bringing it to my attention.

Re: Presentation to Vic Moss of a Plaque of Recognition for the Buckingham County Veterans of Foreign War Post 8446 for winning the coveted title of All-American Post

Bryant: Mr. Moss, if you would come down to the front I’d like to present you with a plaque. Congratulations.

Moss: Thank you on behalf of Post 8446. It’s a team effort. It’s not all about me. Thanks to the Board.

Bryant: Thank you. You are doing a fine job.
Re: Recognition of appreciation of Kyanite Mining employees for their second personal donation to the Animal Control Department

K. Carter: Yes, sir, Mr. Chairman. I’ll take that one. You will see later on in the packet I will ask to get that money appropriated. This is the second year in a row that the employees of Kyanite Mining donated to the Animal Control Facility. Last year it was used to purchase animal beds and supplies like that. Because this is a donation of their own personal money, it’s not a corporate donation, the employees did this on their own. Employees decided instead of buying Christmas gifts they give a donation to a cause they feel is worthwhile. We’d like to give some form of recognition to them for their donation to the County.

Bryant: Thank you.

Re: Kristen Choate’s, Robinson, Farmer and Cox Associates: Presentation of 2019 Fiscal Year Financial Report

Choates: Good evening. I’m here to give my annual presentation on the results of the Buckingham County audit for Fiscal Year 2019. This is a Code of Virginia requirement that we present the results at a public session. So we are adhering to that tonight. Basically we are engaged to perform a financial statement audit and compliance report for the County for the year ending June 30, 2019. The audit is subject to auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. The specifications for audits of counties, cities and towns issued by the Virginia Auditor of Public Accounts. The standards for financial audits containing government auditing standards, The Single Audit Act, which covers federal programs and federal awards and provision of uniform guidance which is along the same lines. As part of our presentation we have certain required communications that we must make. Part of that is to inform you of how we performed our audit in accordance with the previously mentioned standards. There is one new accounting policy implemented, for FY19 and that was GASB88 which basically dealt with debt disclosures. No significant impact on the financial statements like we saw the past few years with the pension and op-ed standards, but just a few classification items and some enhanced disclosures about default provisions and things like that that weren’t previously required to be disclosed in the notes to the financial statements. Certain accounting estimates in the financial statements, those consisted of depreciable lives of capital assets, allowance for uncollectible property taxes, accrued leave, net pension asset and liabilities, net op-ed liabilities and any related outflows and inflows. We tested all of those and found them to be reasonable. There were no difficulties or disagreements in dealing with management that we encountered during the audits and any misstatements or audit adjustments that we had proposed to management have been made and corrected in the general ledger. We obtained the required management representations. As far as we know management did not consult with any other accountants or other consultants about auditing or accounting matters. There are certain limited procedures that we apply to the required supplementary information that is the management’s discussion and analysis which is a summary of the results of the operations for the year and then schedules related to the op-ed funding. We report on budgetary comparison information in relation to the basic financial statements. Basically that is schedules 1 and 2 where you see the budget versus the actual performance during the year. Schedules 1 and 2 are sometimes the
Board’s favorite schedules. They like to see how well management or the operations were performed during the year so we put those in relation to the basic financial statement and then we review the other supplementary information schedule federal awards, and various items there. To summarize we expressed an unmodified opinion on the financial statements. The internal control, other financial reporting and compliance, and compliance for the federal awards which is what you want to hear at the end of your audit. That’s a clean opinion some people refer to it as. That’s the best case scenario. In addition to those required opinions, we also have to issue a report and attestation report to the Auditor of Public Accounts related to Virginia Retirement System. We issued that in October I believe. September or October and that also had no issues noted. Everything was properly reported and collected which basically feeds into your pension information and is very important to have that accurately reported for the employees information. The fund balance increased this year for the General Fund from $10.4 million to $11.2 approximately. About a $740,000 increase. The school cafeteria fund increased about $60,000 to $292,000. You will see in the financial statements some of the subsequent events that you have going on right now. It’s exciting times in Buckingham. A new hotel, and all kinds of things, a new library going on. Those are disclosed in the notes of the financial statements which are in the production phase right now so you should receive copies of it by weeks end. There is a new accounting change upcoming in the next couple of years. There are two actually. Fiduciary activities, GASB Statement 84, requires certain recognition for the Fiduciary Activities, the funds you hold on behalf of other parties. Right now you have two of those, a surety bond this year and agency special welfare fund in your agency fund. The other things is there is a very significant standard coming in 2021 dealing with leases and it changes the reporting requirements of those. It will be a huge undertaking for management and the County working with the school board and social services together all the lease information and to make sure they vet those leases and pull any important information to make sure they make it on the financial statements. Basically the standards are moving to see each and every liability that you may have out there. It’s supposed to be a more clear picture. A lot of people things it muddies it up and makes it more confusing. But we will assist management however necessary to implement that in the next few years. If you have any questions for me, I’d be happy to answer them.

Bryan: Do you need to see us two at a time?

Choates: Only if you want to. No. I don’t think there’s a need. Thank you so much.

Re: Melody Foster, Executive Director, Commonwealth Regional Council: Return of portion of membership fees

Foster: Good evening Gentlemen. I’m Melody Foster, Executive Director of Commonwealth Regional Council. I believe each month you should see a report from our agency letting you know what our activities are for each year. In 2017 we updated our membership dues policy and at that time one of the times we did was do away with charging for grant writing. We also added into our policy that we were setting a goal to have a cash fund balance in excess of $500,000. If we reached that goal, any amount that went over that would be distributed back to its members and we have five counties as members of our agency. The June 30th audit revealed we did meet that goal and exceed it. Our cash fund balance was $524,153 so we are returning to members
$4,833.60 to each member of our organization. I have that check with me tonight that I’m going to present to the Chairman. I appreciate your membership and hope that we can continue this in the future. One thing that we have mentioned to each of our counties while presenting that check is there is always the option if you want to reinvest these monies back into the CRC, that’s most definitely an option that you could. If you have any questions, I’d be glad to answer them at this time.

**Bryant:** What is your desire, reinvest it or cash it?

**Carter:** I’m on the CRC. I see a lot of good things going on and a lot of effort. With the $4800, I’d like to see it at least go back into planning and that would be a good place to put it. They do a lot of studies for us.

**Bryan:** I make a motion for that we reinvest it in planning.

**Allen:** I second.

*Supervisor Bryan moved, Supervisor Allen seconded and was unanimously carried by the Board to reinvest the $4833.60 back into planning.*

**Re:** Kelly Snoddy, Conservation Specialist, Peter Francisco Soil and Water Conservation District Annual Update

**Snoddy:** Good evening Mr. Chairman and members of the Board. Thank you for the time tonight. The Peter Francisco Soil and Water District has requested time to give you an update on our 2019 year. The District is governed by an elected Board of Directors. Our elected directors representing Buckingham are James McDaniel, Jr. and Kevin Dunn and Barbara Teeple as our appointed director. Jennifer Liggon is our Director representative from the Virginia Cooperative Extension office. Ruth Wallace is our Associate Director. In Cumberland we had Todd Smith and Terry Seal as our elected members and they are also our Chairman and Vice Chairman. Vertie Mae Jamerson is our Associate Director along with Amber Anderson and Linda Eanes with the Cumberland Extension office. Our staff includes Sherry Ragland as our District Manager who is here with me in the audience. Elise Corbin, is our Education Specialist. Emily Gibbs is our Residential VMP Coordinator until December 30th. She has now moved on to a new job. Olivia Leatherwood is our newest employee and she is our program assistant and we share her with Virginia Cooperative Extension. I am the Conservation Specialist in the office.

We offer various programs that provide cost share assistance for conservation practices that are geared toward the improvement of water quality. Our program is broken into three areas. Agricultural, Residential and Urban. The pictures you see up top are current agricultural practices. We have funding to cover mostly agricultural conservation practices in our area. We are very rural. Through our Ag program we do a lot of stream exclusion fencing, cover crops, tree plantings, things of that nature. Currently this year has been our largest fiscal year so far with over $800,000 allotted to us for agricultural projects. Ongoing between last years projects being completed now and new ones we are working on we have 35 agricultural projects going
These are pictures of our residential program. This program is the Slate River and Rock Island Creek TMDL program and it is only in the Slate River Water Shed in Buckingham. It is available to help homeowners pay for 50% of the cost for septic system pump outs and repairs. Some applicants can be eligible for 90% based on income level. It educates residents on septic care and environmental and health impacts of failing septic systems. So far as of July 1st of last year which is our fiscal year, we approved 19 pump outs and 5 repairs. This grant runs out December 31, 2020. So if you know anyone in the Slate River Water Shed that has not taken advantage of the program that needs a pump out or repair, please send them our way.

We have an urban program which with us is not as big as cities, but this is the Virginia Conservation Assistance Program. It incentivizes the installation of features that reduce residential and stormwater runoff. Practices can be installed in small acre settings to help reduce stormwater discharges that may cause erosion or areas with poor drainage. We have areas such as conservation landscaping or raingardens, rainwater harvesting, permeable pavers. Those types of practices are what’s going in. A lot of them you will see in your towns or cities. Their conservation is a little bit different from our agricultural conservation. The district continues to provide erosion and sediment control planning with the counties. In the 2019 calendar year working with county staff I have reviewed 8 plans.

In addition to conservation planning and cost share program assistance, we offer educational programs. Upon school and teacher requests we provide educational programs that complement SOL requirements. We often partner with other agencies during these programs like local state parks, Holiday Lake Center, the Game Department, Virginia Cooperative Extension and 4-H, Department of Forestry, the Farm Service Agency and the Natural Conservation Service. Elise Corbin our Education Coordinator has developed a packet that’s available to our teachers. It’s on our website, PeterFranciscoSWCD.org and it correlates all the programs we offer with the SOL’s so teachers can call and request a specific program or we can make a tailor made program for what they want to enforce in their classroom. We offer annual college scholarships to students from Buckingham and Cumberland. They must be full time students currently enrolled in or applied to college freshman level or undergraduate curriculum. We begin advertising our scholarship in January of each year. Applications are due back to us in March. If you know any planning to or majoring in natural resources or environmental studies please send them our way or visit our website for the educational packet. We had two recipients from each county for the 2019 scholarship. Our Buckingham scholarships were awarded to Amanda Bryan who is attending Va Tech studying Agriculture Science and Agribusiness and to Brandon Womack. Brandon has received our scholarship in 2018 as well. He’s attending Liberty University and majoring in Environmental Biology. Our Cumberland Scholarships were awarded to Charles Grubbs who’s attending Va Tech with a major in business and a minor in science engineering and law. Hunter Sanderson who is attending Virginia Tech majoring in Agribusiness. We also offer scholarships for students to attend youth conservation camp and forestry camp, which they changed to Camp Woods and Wildlife now. I have a hard time saying that. Emily Gibbs and I attend conservation camp as camp counselors and we are probably the biggest kids there. It’s
great. All counselors are staff like ourselves from partnering other agency soil and water districts. Students that attended camp from Buckingham this year were Foster Hawkins and Marissa Smith. We did not have any students from Cumberland. But we are trying to recruit. So if you have anyone that you know that may be interested in youth conservation camp, this is for high schoolers, please send them our way.

We had two students from each county that attended Camp Woods and Wildlife. Jordan Johnston and John Tackett from Buckingham. Celeste Mitchell and Mark Tuttle from Cumberland. An interesting fact, both Celeste and Mark attended all three of our watershed exploration camps. The district supports local high school students to participate in the Envirothon competition which is a natural recources competition where high school students are tested on the topics of soils, forestry, aquatics, wildlife and current specific environmental issues. They also prepare on oral presentation in which they solve real life environmental problems. For 2019 competition which was school year 2018-2019 the district was represented by a team from Buckingham High School and Cumberland High School. Both schools are gearing up again for our 2020 competition so we are excited about that.

The Chesapeake Bay Watershed Exploration camp is a camp that the district teamed up with Virginia Cooperative Extension. They hosted it annually for the past few years. We had it in May of last year. Eight 6th grade reflective essays on the meaningful watershed education experience were selected from Buckingham County and Cumberland and their authors were offered a scholarship to the watershed exploration camp. So highlights of the camp were: they took a field trip to the Chesapeake Bay Foundation at the Brock Environmental Center in Virginia Beach. The boarded a 40’ boat and performed water quality monitoring, trawled for fish, pulled up crab and eel pots and explored marsh lands in the Chesapeake Bay. They attended programs at the Virginia Aquarium and Science Center and they did canoeing and team building exercises at the Jamestown 4-H Center.

We coordinated with the schools and art teachers to allow students to enter a conservation poster contest that’s put on by our Association of Soil and Water Conservation Districts. This year’s theme was Life in the Soil, Dig Deeper. I’m going to show you pictures of the first place winning posters on the slides. And list the 2nd place winners as we go. K-1 Category our first place winner was Olivia Waycaster with Central Virginia Christian School. Our second place winner was William Sullivan with Central Virginia Christian School. Our 2-3rd grade category our first place winner was Collin Snoddy of Buckingham Elementary. Our second place winner was Wyatt Haynes of Central Virginia Christian School and our third place winner was Michael Waycaster of Central Virginia Christian School. Our 4-6th grade category our first place winner was Mariah Leonard Winsby from the middle school. Our second place winner was Makiah Smith from the middle school. Our third place was Annie Smith from Buckingham Middle School. We had two honorable mentions. Joey Glover from Buckingham Elementary School and Daliah Vaughan of Central Virginia Christian School. Our 7-9th grade first place winner was Lilian Wycowski from Cumberland High School. Second place was Austin Cox from Cumberland Middle School. Our third place was a tie between Landon Peery at Buckingham Middle School and Madison Austin of Cumberland Middle School. We had a honorable mention of Adeline Bower from Buckingham Middle School. Another honorable mention of
Elizabeth Farris from Buckingham Middle School. 10-12th grade category our first place winner was Hannah Davis from Buckingham High School. Second place winner was Anita Davis from Buckingham High School and our third place winner was Kennedy Powell from Buckingham High School. We do thank our art teachers and any other teachers that are involved in pushing the students to do the project.

We host our annual educational spring dinner and awards banquet in the spring where we recognize a clean farm award recipient. This year that was Robert Earl and Annie Bryant of Buckingham. We recognize a conservation educator for the primary and secondary level. Our primary teacher was Lyndsey Brown a second grade teacher at Buckingham Primary. Our secondary level was Andrew Schmitt, the career and technical education teacher at Buckingham High School. We had a wildlife conservation award that went to Bruce Hogshead, Solitude Forest Farm of Buckingham. We had a conservation partner award where we recognized Ruth Wallace, our senior cooperative extension agent and 4-H youth development for Buckingham County. Under the watershed project and flood prevention program over 150 watershed dams have been built across the State of Virginia with assistance from the USDA Natural Resource Conservation Service. The Peter Francisco Soil and Water Conservation District is the sponsor of 17 in our assisted watershed projects. These provide flood protection for Buckingham and Cumberland counties. So our primary responsibility is to operate and maintain the watershed flood control dams in accordance with state dam safety regulations. We coordinate with both Buckingham and Cumberland Emergency Services Personnel for emergency action planning and implementation. This year as far as our maintenance program goes all the dams have been mowed and had general maintenance performed twice. They’ve had their annual owners inspections completed. Those that were on a schedule this year for their engineering has also been completed. Districts across the state have received funding for remote monitoring devices that can be installed on the dams to measure rainfall, lake level rise as far as our emergency action planning preparedness. Of that amount of funding that went across the state we are receiving 7 of our 17 dams and will be working towards the installation of those units in the next year or so. Then it all depends on cell phone coverage. That sums up our activities so far. I know we covered a lot of detail. I thank you for allowing us to come tonight. If you have questions, I’ll take them. You are welcome to come visit us at the office at your leisure.

Bryan: Who did you say has science like workshops?

Snoddy: Elise Corbin. She’s our Education Coordinator.

Bryant: Thank you. Great presentation.

Re: Zoning Matters

There were none.

Re: Consider appointment of two Board members to the Personnel Committee for 2020 Calendar Year
Bryan: Mr. Chairman, I move that Supervisor Chambers and yourself, Chairman Bryant, stay on that Board.

Miles: Second.

Bryan: Motion for Mr. Chambers and myself. Any discussion? Call for the vote. I thank you all.

Chambers: Thank you, Board.

*Supervisor Bryan moved, Supervisor Miles seconded and was unanimously carried by the Board to reappoint Supervisor Chambers and Chairman Bryant to the 2020 Personnel Committee.*

Re: Consider appointment of two Board members to the Water/Wastewater Utilities Committee for the 2020 Calendar Year

Bryan: Since both water and wastewater is in my district and Supervisor Miles’ district, it’s a norm that we stay on that committee as well.

Matthews: Second.

Bryan: There’s been a motion and a second that Supervisor Bryan and Supervisor Miles be on this committee. Any discussion? Call for the vote. Unanimous vote. Congratulations.

*Supervisor Bryan moved, Vice Chairman Matthews seconded and was unanimously carried by the Board to appoint Supervisor Bryan and Supervisor Miles to the 2020 Water/Wastewater Committee.*

Re: Consider appointment of two Board members to the Finance Committee for the 2020 Calendar Year

Bryan: In the past Supervisor Matthews and the Chairman have served on that committee. If Supervisor Matthews is still willing to serve, I move that Supervisor Matthews and the Chairman be appointed to that committee.

Matthews: Yes, sir.


*Supervisor Bryan moved, Supervisor Chambers seconded and was unanimously carried by the Board to appoint Vice Chairman Matthews and Chairman Bryant to the 2020 Finance Committee.*
Re: Consider appointment of two Board members to the Solid Waste Committee for the 2020 Calendar Year

Miles: Mr. Chairman, I would move that Supervisor Bryan and Bryant serve on that committee.

Bryant: Any discussion?

Matthews: Yes, sir. Mr. Bryant, I had some discussion with Mrs. Carter and Mr. Hill about some type of recycling that needs to be done in the county over the next 4-6 years or whatever it may be. We’ve actually talked to several people in the recycling business and I kind of helped Mrs. Carter set up a couple of meetings possibly with some of these individuals. I would like to be a part of that solid waste committee. I don’t want to be on the committee but I want to be for the recycling. Just to be a set of ears and possibly some negotiating as far as that’s concerned.


Bryant: Glad to have you. Is that alright with the board?

Carter: Only two board members at a time can meet. But the recycling, Vice Chairman Matthews and I have been talking on getting some information on this. That is one of our next goals when finishing the Dillwyn site and get all the sites done and also do some satellite recycling plans. Perhaps the recycling can be its own committee because that’s going to be a lot of work.

Matthews: Maybe we need to set up a recycling committee not a part of the solid waste stuff.

Jones: I think it would be appropriate to separate it.

Bryan: I’ll serve with you Don.

Bryant: Motion made and second to put Donnie Bryan and myself on the solid waste committee. Any discussion? Call for the vote. Unanimous.

Supervisor Miles moved, Supervisor Bryan seconded and was unanimously carried by the Board to appoint Supervisor

Bryan: Mr. Chairman, if I could interrupt. Since we just discussed the Solid Waste Committee and the need for recycling, I’ve gotten numerous concerns about no recycling. I’d like to get the Board’s blessing on having a Recycling Committee with Supervisor Matthews and myself on it.

Miles: I second that.
**Bryant:** Motion made and seconded to have Don Matthews and Donnie Bryan to for that committee. Any discussion?

**Matthews:** Yes, sir. I’d like to say a couple things. We’ve made so many improvements in the last four years in solid waste with the sites we’ve developed over the past four year. I just want to say how proud I am of those sites and we’ve got two more that we’ve got to complete which is Gravel Hill in Mr. Allen’s district and the Dillwyn which is in Mr. Bryan’s district. We’ve got a long way to go but I can already see cost recovery happening as we speak with our solid waste saving the county a tremendous amount of money and the taxpayers number one a tremendous amount of money that we are probably going to be able to pay for these things way ahead of schedule and we didn’t have to go up on your taxes to be able to do that. So, this Board is very instrumental in doing those things and not only are they pleasant to look at they are an asset to the county. We are a leader in this region as far as solid waste is concerned. That had to do with our county administration and of course Mrs. Carter and Karl Carter and Lyn Hill. This Board was very instrumental in that happening too. I would like to thank all the Board members for it.

**Bryant:** They look good now. They really do.

**Matthews:** Taking it one step further, this new committee is going to be looking at solid waste and of course recycling part of it too. That’s something that’s going to have to happen. It starts with the citizens of Buckingham County. It doesn’t just start here with the Board of Supervisors. We have got to do that as citizens and people that live in the county. I think that’s real instrumental in moving it forward into the future.

**Miles:** I would add, Supervisor Matthews, that I think it’s a great idea and a lot of the feedback in the Maysville District over the past six months has been recycling, especially with glass. I know you’ve got some innovative ideas with that. I think that’s good.

**Bryant:** We have a motion and a second for the Recycling Committee. Any discussion? Call for the vote. Unanimous. Motion carried.

**Supervisor Bryan moved, Supervisor Miles seconded and was unanimously carried to appoint Supervisor Bryan and Vice Chairman Matthews to the Recycling Committee.**

**Re:** Consider appointment to the Planning Commission for District 5

**Bryant:** That’s my district. I’ve talked to Steve Dorrier and he’s agreed to take that job.

**Bryan:** Mr. Chairman, I move that Steve Dorrier be appointed to the Planning Commission for District 5.

**Matthews:** Second.

**Bryant:** A motion made and second to appoint Steve Dorrier to the Planning Commission for District 5. Any discussion? Let’s vote. Unanimously carried.
Supervisor Bryan moved, Vice Chairman Matthews seconded and was unanimously carried by the Board to appoint Steve Dorrier to the Planning Commission for District 5.

Re: Consider appointment to the Planning Commission for District 6

Chambers: Mr. Chairman, I’d like to reappoint Chad Maxey.

Matthews: Second.

Bryant: Chet Maxey to be reappointed to District 6. Any discussion? Call for the vote. Unanimous.

Supervisor Chambers moved, Vice Chairman Matthews seconded and was unanimously carried by the Board to reappoint Chet Maxey to Planning Commission for District 6.

Re: Consider appointment by the Chairman for another member of the Board to the Ad Hoc Library/Community Center Construction Committee to replace Morgan Dunnivant

Matthews: I’d like to make a motion to appoint Mr. Joe Chambers to the Library Construction Committee to replace Morgan Dunnivant.

Bryant: Ok. Any discussion? Call for the vote.

Vice Chairman Matthews moved, Supervisor Miles seconded and was unanimously carried by the Board to appoint Supervisor Chambers to the Ad Hoc Library/Community Center Construction Committee.

Re: Consider appointments of two Board members and/or staff to the Virginia Growth Alliance Board of Directors

Bryan: Mr. Chairman, currently I am on the Board and Mr. Matthews is on the Board but I believe Mr. Matthews wants to get off of that Board. I recommend that I stay on the Board and appoint Mrs. Carter as a primary member as well and Mrs. Edmondston as an alternate.

Bryant: You heard the motion. Any discussion?

Matthews: Yes, sir. Mr. Bryan, that’s good and I appreciate you helping me get off of that Board because my schedule is pretty active. But there is one thing that there has been some discussion about. Years ago, we had the Local Economic Development Committee which was contrived on citizens and I think one or two board members. I had quite a bit of activities from citizens that would like to bring that back. I also would like to do that too. 1. We’ve had some discussion with VGA over the last couple months about us getting our money’s worth out of that particular situation. I’m not completely happy with it but I would like to institute the Local Economic Development Committee and Mrs. Edmondston has been hired as our Planning Director and also Economic Developer for the county. I’ve had some discussion with her and
Mrs. Carter and what I’d like to see happen is possibly get each district to nominate someone from their district or in the county, it doesn’t have to be from their district, they are in business for themselves and have some knowledge of that an along with a couple board members also that maybe we can get this thing off the ground and be productive again here in the county locally since we have some thoughts about possibly getting out of VGA here in the near future at some point and time.

Bryan: Yes, sir.

Matthews: Let’s make that in a motion and maybe next month we can have some names of people we’ve talked to that might be interested in doing that. Is that good for you?

Bryan: So you just want to task each board member with a name of someone to serve on that committee.

Carter: There is a motion on the table.

Bryan: There’s a motion on the table now for the Virginia Growth Alliance.

Matthews: Is anyone else here that would like to be a part of that? You nominated Mrs. Carter to take my place. Alright.

Carter: I might add that, this won’t take a motion, but Mrs. Edmondston will serve on the VGA Marketing Committee and sometimes we will both be serving on that because we definitely want to make sure we bring the right recommendation back to you.

Bryant: Any more discussion? Call for the vote. It’s carried.

*Supervisor Bryan moved, Supervisor Chambers seconded and was unanimously carried by the Board to appoint Supervisor Bryan, County Administrator Carter to the Virginia Growth Alliance Board of Directors with Zoning/Economic Developer Edmondston as alternate.*

Re: Consider Board member appointment to the Commonwealth Regional Council to replace Morgan Dunnavant

Bryan: Mr. Chairman, I recommend Supervisor Miles to be on that committee.

Bryant: Any discussion? Motion made to consider Miles for the CRC. Call for the vote.

*Supervisor Bryan moved, Supervisor Allen seconded and was unanimously carried by the Board to appoint Supervisor Miles to the Commonwealth Regional Council.*

Re: Consider Board member to the Piedmont Senior Resources Board
Miles: Mr. Chairman, I’m going to make a statement that I’m going to abstain due to my being employed by the company.

Chambers: You are going to serve on the Board right?

Miles: No sir. I have no intention of being on that Board.

Matthews: I’m going to go ahead and take care of… I had thought about not serving on that Board. I am going to go ahead and take it because my schedule will allow me to do that. I think I’ve got a good working relationship with Justine Young and of course Jordan works for them. I’m pretty sure I can stay abreast of what’s going on over there.

Chambers: So moved.

Bryan: I second that.

Bryant: Motion and a second for Matthews to stay on the Board. Any discussion? Call for the vote.

Supervisor Chambers moved, Supervisor Bryan seconded to reappoint Vice Chairman Matthews to the Piedmont Senior Resources Board. This motion passed with a 6-1 vote with Supervisor Miles abstaining.

Re: Consider Board member to the Crossroads Services Board

Bryan: Mr. Chairman, since I no longer desire to be on this board, I recommend Supervisor Miles be on this board since he does work for Piedmont Senior Resources, he could better serve our citizens.

Bryant: Motion made and seconded for Supervisor Miles to serve on the Crossroads Services Board. Any discussion? Call for the vote. Unanimous.

Supervisor Bryan moved, Supervisor Chambers seconded and was unanimously carried by the Board to appoint Supervisor Miles to the Crossroads Services Board.

Re: Consider appointment of a Board member to the Virginia’s Heartland Board of Directors

Bryan: Mr. Chairman, you are currently on that Board I will recommend that you stay on that Board.

Bryant: Mrs. Carter is on that Board with me. Motion made and seconded for myself and Mrs. Carter to be on that board. Any discussion? Call for the vote. Unanimous.
Supervisor Bryan moved, Supervisor Chambers seconded and was unanimously carried by the Board to reappoint Chairman Bryant and Mrs. Carter to the Virginia Heartland Board of Directors.

Re: Consider appointment of another Board member by the Chairman to the Ad Hoc Animal Control Facility Committee

Chambers: Mr. Chairman, I think Mr. Matthews is willing to serve on that Board.

Bryant: Do you want to nominate Mr. Matthews?

Bryan: I second that.

Bryant: Motion made that Mr. Matthews be on the Animal Control Facility Committee. Any discussion? Call for the vote. Carried.

Supervisor Chambers moved, Supervisor Bryan seconded and was unanimously carried by the Board to appoint Vice Chairman Matthews to the Ad Hoc Animal Control Facility Committee.

Bryan: Mr. Chairman, before we move on to #14, there was one committee that Supervisor Jones resigned from the Planning Commission. I move that Supervisor Allen be reappointed to the Planning Commission if he is willing to serve.

Allen: That’s fine.


Supervisor Bryan moved, Vice Chairman Matthews seconded and was unanimously carried by the Board to appoint Supervisor Allen to the Planning Commission as Board representative.

Bryan: I think that’s all the committees we have isn’t it.

Bryant: I believe that all committees. Mr. Carter?

Re: Finance, Consider appropriation of the $1,245 donation from the Kyanite Employees to the Animal Control Supply Line item

K. Carter: As I mentioned earlier tonight, Kyanite Mining Employees got together during the holiday season and made a generous donation to the Animal Control in the amount of $1,245. I ask that you appropriate those funds to the Animal Control Supply Line Item to be used to purchase supplies at the facility.
Bryant: Motion made and seconded to appropriate the donation from the employees for the animal control supply line. Any discussion? Call for the vote.

Supervisor Allen moved, Supervisor Chambers seconded and was unanimously carried by the Board to appropriate the $1,245 donation from employees of Kyanite Mining to the Animal Control Supply line item.

Miles: Mr. Chairman, before we move on, one final thing if I may, Mr. Matthews, do you think we should take action on reestablishing or establishing that…

Matthews: Economic Development?

Miles: Yes, sir.

Matthews: Yes I do. I’d like to make that into a motion and maybe have some names ready next month at our meeting to continue that committee.

Bryant: Tell me what’s it for?

Matthews: It’s for the…we used to have an Economic Development Committee comprised of citizens and Board members along with County Administrator and Economic Developer.

Miles: BCCAC. There was some Chamber representation too.

Matthews: We don’t want to exceed ten people. I think that would be a good working number.

Carter: Before we had a pretty vast number of people so you want to just…

Matthews: I’d say ten people, maybe five. It doesn’t have to be seven from the county or citizens. It could be five or six and then the rest of it would be Board members and staff here.

Bryant: So you want a recommendation from each supervisor?

Matthews: If we can, yeah. Then we can work from there.

Bryant: Alright, we’ve got a motion made and seconded to get this committee going. Supervisors should decide who they would like to put on this Board and bring to next meeting. Any discussion? Call for the vote.

Supervisor Matthews moved, Supervisor Miles seconded and was unanimously carried by the Board to reestablish the Economic Development Board and for each Board member to have suggestions of members at the February meeting.

Re: Supervisor Jones and Emergency Services Manager, Cody Davis, Update on Amish Safety Committee
Cody Davis: So what I just gave to you all is a committee report I put out for the two meetings for the committee you all created back in 2019 regarding Buckingham’s approach to increasing safety for the Amish community on our roadways. You will note that the committee members consists of representation from the Amish community notably Bishop Stoltzfus and also he brought about 6 other members of his community with him. We’ve got VDOT representation, State Police representation, Sheriff’s office representation, Commonwealth Attorney on the Admin side and Board of Supervisor’s side you’ve got Bobby Jones, Mrs. Carter, Karl and myself. We also have a community member, John O’ Bryant on that as well. He more or less shares a relationship with the Amish community and also the fire and rescue side of things. We had an initial meeting October 11th and in that we were not fortunate enough to have any representation from the Amish there. But we were still able to generate a few ideas to consist of increasing road signage countywide. We threw around the idea of a public education campaign. The use of a billboard close to Sprouse’s Corner intersection. Also a trinket or sticker to put in someone’s vehicle, as safety day, adding a certain curriculum to our driver’s education courses and also installation buggy safety lanes. Then we took a couple months before we met again. The next meeting, the question was raised as to what did everybody expect from the committee. Overall, expectation was for us to work collaboratively to increase the safety of all population groups of those sharing the roadways of Buckingham County and remaining vigilant to posing undue burden on any groups involved. More or less we took a comprehensive approach so we will tackle safety not only for the Amish community but also farm traffic and also runners, joggers, and bicyclist. Any of those strange anomalies that go on our roadways kind of out of the norm. But we also want to be sure that we are not imposing things onto the Amish community or any of these populations that they have to do anything. We are not trying to be too strong on anybody nor they on us. The group work wells together. We reviewed some suggestions that Virginia Cooperative Extension put out, a study they put out a couple years ago funded by Virginia Tech on specific reflective and light usage on horse drawn buggies and carriages. I pushed that to the Amish as a suggestion that this is what research has shown that reflective stuff doesn’t die when their batteries die and things like that. They were extremely exceptive. That along with the use of strobe be it white or amber flashing lights on their buggies kind of across the board like somebody earlier said, you’ve got some that look like a disco and some that you can’t see. They are very receptive to polling their people to kind of create a minimum standard internally. Not something that we enforce at all. Then from that we also had some literature from farm bureau that they distribute regarding slow moving triangles that is what is this and what does it mean that we can potentially steal from as we pursue some of the ideas that we decided to pursue. In all what we took away from that meeting that we will finalize at our March meeting are a couple of things. VDOT has the approval to increase those signs at Sprouse’s Corner intersection. Then they are also open to considering more on the heavily trafficked secondary roads per the bishop would be beneficial. They have approval to increase signage at Sprouse’s Corner intersection. Supervisor Jones which I’m sure he will expand on, he already had quite a few stickers made up that we are going to utilize as we pursue the educational campaign. So, in short, what we are going to do is the comprehensive share the road campaign which would entail some flyers to the local businesses. Some media releases, social media and things like that. Then also probably a trifold flyer. We are hoping to have this in place to kind of tack on to the distribution of county stickers rather than any mailing. Hand deliver with county sticker type thing. Then also, we propose to pursue the safety day. The Amish seem to
like that idea and it was Commonwealth Attorney Wright’s idea to kind of partner with an existing popular event going on in Buckingham County. We thought of Mayfest and Mrs. Louis approved a spot for that on May 9th. We will work on exactly what we are going to do there that day. We need to partner with the school system to look into the curriculum of the driver’s ed class. That’s what we are going to go with. Lots of suggestions have come up but some of them are not necessarily viable.

**Matthews:** How about, just a question, you said distribute this information to people do what now? The pamphlets and stuff. You are not going to do it by mailing it. How are you going to get it out?

**Davis:** We thought that somewhat of a hand delivery method would work like trying to put it with the distribution of county stickers.

**Matthews:** Absolutely. Do you have a count of how many county stickers we sell a year? Roughly?

**Davis:** No. This committee met and decided all this on Thursday of last week.

**Jones:** You run into big problems than we have actually…the highway department says a lot more signs causes people to not pay attention. The more signs the less attention. To that I say BS. I don’t believe that. They should know that’s true but I don’t believe it. It came up in the meeting, one of the questions was we’ve had 3 accidents. All three of them have been in daylight. What does that say? To me that says we need to make people aware in daylight more than what we have so far. Whether that helps or not it certainly couldn’t hurt. I went to a source and came up with these stickers and all of you I’m sure know that occasionally in the mail if you do business with somebody they send you this packet that’s got your address on it and all. These are the same kind of stickers. I intend to go to every logger that does business in Buckingham County and get them to put a sticker on every vehicle that they have. Whether it’s on the visor or the dash or wherever. Occasionally during your day or several days, you are going to see that. It’s going to make you, to me, aware more so that this is going on in the county. We have more coming in all the time. The bishop they know how many is coming and it’s a lot of them.

**Matthews:** Would it be more helpful to make it a different color other than black and white?

**Jones:** When I had these made they didn’t have the color that I could put on there.

**Matthews:** I’m just asking you.

**Jones:** Well I’m telling you.

**Matthews:** I’m not trying to argue with you. You act like I’m trying to argue with you.

**Jones:** they didn’t have them in color. Which reminds me that the State Police are checking into what color these buggies should have as far as what the law says I believe. To me, I’m
going to pursue this and I don’t think we can go wrong. But I am concerned about the people that have told me that Cumberland has a bigger sign than ours. I will check into that.

**Miles:** Mr. Chairman, I just want to thank you and thank Supervisor Jones because you know these things to me are really innovative, An Awareness Campaign. Some of the ideas that y'all have in terms of the dialogue with the Amish Community. There are right many Amish community members in my district as well as the supervisor from District 3. I think you all hit the nail on the head instead of just that comprehensive look of narrowly looking at one community but at tractors, joggers, people walking down the road and things like that. I think that that this committee and its results and I know you all are early on in that could be a model because the closest model right now…the Commonwealth of Virginia doesn’t have any specific guidance in things like this with Amish transportation they refer to Ohio as my understanding. Ohio has a pretty robust guide for things like this and we don’t have one in the Commonwealth. There is no question that it will take time for all of us to not drive distracted. Thank you gentlemen.

**Jones:** When our committee met, this last week. The bishop started off right away that we are not asking the county for anything. But we are overwhelmed at the concern that the citizens have. They appreciate anything we can do. We don’t want to push anything on them but they appreciate anything we can do to help. One other thing, two meetings ago, I challenged this board. Told them we were having concerns on safety and I challenged your constituents in your territory if there is a road that is sharp, and hill that is high, or something of that nature that they wanted the state to look at. If you would bring back to our next meeting and let the committee know what your feedback has been from your constituents we would appreciate it because the state did say if there is something out there that we really need to look at like for example a tractor and trailer comes over a hill real quick, the site distance what it is, that they would look into it. I think we ought to do that.

**Re: Other Board Matters**

**Chambers:** Mr. Chairman, I’ve got two for resolution. I would like to make a resolution to do a resolution for Brady Jones.

**Bryan:** Yes. Motion made to recognize BJ Jones as one of our citizens. We should invite his family to the next meeting for recognition of him.

**Miles:** That’s a great idea. He was a good man.

**Bryan:** Any discussion? Call for the vote.

*Supervisor Chambers moved, Vice Chairman Matthews seconded and was unanimously carried by the Board to bring back to the February meeting a Resolution in Memoriam of Brady Jones.*
Chambers: Secondly, Mr. Chairman, I’d like to see the Board pass a resolution for Mr. Dan Senger, retired deputy. I’d like to make a motion for him retiring.

Matthews: We appreciate his service.

Bryant: Motion and second made to adopt a resolution for retired deputy Dan Senger. Any discussion? Call for the vote.

Supervisor Chambers moved, Vice Chairman Matthews seconded and was unanimously carried by the Board to adopt a resolution in honor of retired deputy Dan Senger.

Re: Consider 2020 Tentative Budget Calendar
K. Carter: Attached to your packet tonight, you should see a tentative budget calendar and we once again want to say it’s tentative because it’s subject to change with information we receive from the State and how fast we can get the information to you guys for hearings and whatnot. Just to let you know this is a tentative calendar once again and budget season is right around the corner and we will be picking up soon at the end of January.

Bryant: We have a schedule in our package here. Do we have a motion to adopt this calendar?
Miles: I move Mr. Chairman that we adopt the budget calendar.

Bryant: Any discussion? Call for the vote.

Supervisor Miles moved, Supervisor Allen seconded and was unanimously carried by the Board to approve the tentative 2020 Budget Calendar.

Re: Consider request from Virginia Association of Counties to approve a resolution for Equal Taxing Authority for Virginia Counties

RESOLUTION OF THE BUCKINGHAM COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
SUPPORT FOR EQUAL TAXING AUTHORITY FOR VIRGINIA COUNTIES

Whereas, under the Code of Virginia county governments have less authority to raise revenues to meet their responsibilities than do cities and towns, and

Whereas, limitations on counties’ ability to raise revenues from diverse sources result in an over-reliance on real property taxes to fund basic services of local government; and

Whereas, counties are limited in their ability to raise revenues from meals, cigarette, transient occupancy, and admissions taxes that are available to cities and towns; and

Whereas, county governments have the same responsibility as cities for the funding of and meeting state requirements for core services, such as K-12 education, public safety, social services, and public health; and

Whereas, relying too heavily on one source of revenue leaves counties vulnerable to downturns in the real estate market and population shifts; and

Whereas, additional tools to raise revenues would allow counties options to invest the necessary additional funds to respond to modern-day challenges, such as enhancing election cybersecurity; providing mental health treatment in jails; addressing substance abuse; maintaining vital infrastructure, such as water and sewer systems; and implementing Next-Generation 911 technology; and

Whereas, state enabling legislation is required to provide counties with this additional taxing authority; and

Whereas, each locality is best positioned to determine the appropriate mix of revenue sources to meet local needs;

Now, Therefore, the Board of Supervisors of Buckingham County does hereby resolve and express its support and desire for the Virginia General Assembly to enact such legislation as is necessary to authorize Virginia counties to exercise additional taxing authority equal to that of cities and towns.

Carter: Presently towns and cities can adopt meals tax, cigarette tax and several different kinds of tax that counties cannot adopt without General Assembly approval or referendum. This is a resolution by VACO who is supporting getting that same taxing authority to counties also. I would ask that you all consider this resolution.
Bryant: We have a motion for equal taxing authority for counties. Any discussion? Call for the vote.

Supervisor Bryan moved, Supervisor Miles seconded and was unanimously carried by the Board to approve the Resolution for Equal Taxing Authority for Counties.

Re: Consider request from hotel property owners for the easement for the purpose of a sewer lateral

Carter: Yes, Mr. Chairman. This came in today. Mike Markley has been working with the engineers from the hotel for site work and water and sewer. They are asking for a 20’ easement between the hotel property and the solid waste site. I wanted to make sure by doing that especially with the renovations to that site that this wouldn’t interfere and we’d still have entrance there. It’s about 100’. This will show that we can still have enough to make entrance back through to the back property if necessary. They want to put the sewer lateral and this will be located between the proposed hotel site as I said and the county recycling center. He’s requested this easement so that the lateral will not be under the storm water management or the best management practices dam that’s near the retaining wall of the dumpsters. So I would ask you to consider this. I handed out the color copy so you can see there is enough space to do that.

Bryan: Mr. Chairman, I move we approve the easement for property owners of the hotel for the purpose of the sewer lateral.

Bryant: Motion made to get an easement 20’ wide for the sewer line for the hotel. Any discussion? Call for the vote. Carried.

Supervisor Bryan moved, Supervisor Chambers seconded and was unanimously carried by the Board to approve a 20’ easement for the purpose of a sewer lateral for the proposed hotel site.

Re: County Attorney Matters

Wright: Mr. Chairman, just briefly, I would ask in the next few days that you would advise the County Administrator for the expansion of the noise ordinance committee. I’ve done the sufficient research and I feel we are ready to sit down and make some decisions so we can begin to bring a draft back. The reason I ask for an expanded committee, lots of nuisances, some not so new that apply. Buckingham as we all recognize is a county that has not a strong what’s identified as a residential community. It’s mixed in with agricultural and mixed in with other types of mixed uses. Most of the other ordinances and provision really relate to residential communities specifically. The problem comes in when you begin to try a one fit all against across the county. You will run up against a couple things. There certain prohibitions in terms of what you can do with farming. There are certain things you may not want to do with industrial and commercial. So with that mixed blend there are going to be some policy decisions that are going to need to be made not the least of which is what’s the punishment. Virginia right now does not provide for civil penalties for violating noise ordinances so we are going to be looking at a criminal penalty and most places have either decided between a Class III or Class IV...
which is really just a fine but has a criminal connotation to it. The big issue too is there are two approaches that are being made around the State. One dealing with using decimeters to make a determination of noise. There are some various standards that need to be adopted and places have approached things in different ways. Some have gone a different way which will create a problem to begin with. You’ve got to give people a notice of what they are violating. So if you say you can’t make a whole lot of noise, that just doesn’t apply. We’ve got to sort of get that refined a little bit. I feel it would be better to have additional members of the committee to involve and help make those policy decisions. I’d also like to invite law enforcement to participate in those discussions as we move forward. It’s not urgent but I did hear the concerns tonight and we have been discussing the noise ordinance so it’s been sort of moving forward in a stealth way. We are ready to begin to make some discussions so in the next few days, I think this falls under the Chairman’s prerogative to appoint the members to that group and ask law enforcement to participate too. Mr. Chairman, I have no other matters to report and I’d be happy to entertain any questions.

Bryant: So we need a committee…

Bryan: Didn’t we form a committee?

Carter: I think mostly our staff, Mr. Wright and myself.

Bryan: Like maybe some citizens? Like somebody with the Chamber?

Bryant: Do I need to appoint a committee?

Bryan: We appointed a committee last month.

Carter: It was Mr. Wright, myself and Karl. I think Mr. Wright said he would like particularly to see some law enforcement on there, maybe board members and maybe someone from the Chamber.

Wright: You don’t have to do it tonight. Just let Mrs. Carter know who you would desire.

Bryan: By the end of the week? Good for you?

Re: County Administrator Report

Update on concept of regional airport authority: Yes, I’ve had a discussion with the mayor of the Town of Farmville. At this point there is no interest to discuss with us any concept of a regional airport authority. He did say if they would ever want to, they would let us know. At this point, that committee does not need to happen.

Bryant: That’s good. Took care of that.
Reminder of Local Government Legislative Day: I just want to remind you of the Local Government Legislative Day on February 6th. I have here that Supervisor Bryan and Miles have signed up. Also Supervisor Matthews has been signed up. Also Mrs. Edmondston. We understand there will be some zoning and solar issues going on. Myself and Karl if he wants to. If any of you want to go please let us know so we can get you registered. Supervisor Miles has been able to, which we find hard to do sometimes, set up a meeting with Delegate Farris and Senator Peake for that morning before the Legislative Day starts at 10 and 10:30.

Miles: Yes, ma'am. So Supervisor Matthews and Bryan, what I’ve done and I’ve been working with the County Administrator on this, is that I think what I said was that we have it scheduled to meet with Delegate Farris at 10:00 and then 10:30 meet with Senator Peake. If that’s ok with yall.

Carter: We appreciate that because it’s really hard to get those meetings. We’ve gone and sat for a long time to meet with them. If any of you are interested let us know so we have plenty time to get arrangements made.

That concludes my report, Mr. Chairman.

Re: Other Board Matters

Bryan: Yes, Mr. Chairman, I have two things I’d like to bring up. I went to the last VGA meeting just to keep you abreast of what’s going on. One of the things that I spoke about. In the past we have gotten reports of perspective businesses in the area and what they required. It kind of went away from that. It’s sensitive information and when we get it we would have to meet in closed session because of it. Certainly to protect the interest of the people involved. It would give us an insight of why we missed somebody wanting to come here to create a business. Maybe it was something we couldn’t offer or didn’t have. So. That’s my update there.

I’d also like to make a motion that we have an appreciation letter or plaque for Sammy Smith since he’s leaving the Planning Commission.

Bryant: A motion to have a plaque for Sammy Smith for his service he gave us there. Any discussion? Call for the vote. Motion carried.

Supervisor Bryan moved, Supervisor Miles seconded and was unanimously carried by the Board to present Sammy Smith with a plaque of appreciation for his service on the Planning Commission.

Miles: Mr. Chairman, I have two matters if I may bring them up. First I would like to thank you gentlemen for sort of mentoring me and I look forward to learning from you all. I do have a lot of learning to do and I have a great deal of respect for all of you. I look forward to working with you and alongside of you for the next four years and same with County staff.
Casey Dunkum Davis who was here with Mr. Trevor Agee at the last meeting wanted to send her thanks for recognizing him with the resolution that Mr. Chambers, I think put forward. She sends her thanks for that and she lives in the Maysville District.

The last thing is Mrs. Carter touched on this, in terms of what’s going on with solar in the General Assembly is a ton going on with it and we are trying to monitor it the best we can with VACO. I’ve got a contact Susan Seward, she is Chairman of the Sussex Board of Supervisors and we spoke at length twice over the past couple days about lots of proposed legislation at the General Assembly regarding solar farms and the issue has really popped up as Mrs. Carter eluded to in this 2020 session. So just really quickly, currently localities like us can only assess 20% of the machinery and tools value on the equipment at these solar farms. That’s a Sunset Law that will end in 2024 according to the current statute. Which means that if we see more solar farm applications between now and then we will continue to lose that 80% revenue and we will also see some of the erosion of some of our abilities that the State Code of Virginia calls for. That one bill is one of many. There are about 20 bills at the General Assembly right now. A wise lady told me one time that those things are moving targets so you’ve got to keep your eye on those things. There is also legislation proposed that I think we need to keep an eye on that would erode counties ability to use our comprehensive plan and zoning ordinances to leverage proper position of the proposed solar farms. There are other bills that I want us as a board to keep that in the forefront. There is a bill that is being proposed by Senator Linwood Louis and I hope that we can talk this up when we go on the 6th of February that it would allow counties to deal with machinery and tools value and taxation with respect to solar farms one on one meaning that we could potentially get 100% of that tax now is abated at 80%. I do think we need to keep that…there are more solar farms in Charlotte County, Appomattox County and more proposals. I’m sure we will see those here so I think we need to keep an eye on that in terms of not only erosion of our decision making process but the ability to fairly assess the revenue that is on those farms.

Carter: Mrs. Edmondston has been contacted by several possible applications that may be coming in. You are right. There’s a lot going on down there with it. There’s a lot of things that might get slipped in on us. You might recall year before last, we got about $140,000 for a building permit for a solar farm which is what we used part of to build these solid waste site because it was one time money. But in July 1, 2019, that changed so we cannot even charge a building permit fee if it’s in the name of the utility company such as Dominion or whoever. So as long as it stays within the developer’s name, we are pushing to put conditions that the developer has to get the building permit. We have to watch because it seems that everything is slipping away from us and it is taking property off the tax books you might say. It’s important that we pay attention.

Miles: As Mrs. Carter said, I think we’ve got a great contact with Susan Seward who is also a lobbyist in Richmond as well as Chairman of the Sussex Board of Supervisors but there’s a lot that we could...a lot of hay we could make off of some of this legislation. Especially if we’ve got them knocking down the door which I’m not saying they are but certainly could.

Carter: They are. They are coming out.
Miles: When we lobby I hope we can hit these high points. Thank you Mr. Chairman.

Re: Adjournment

There being no further business to discuss, Chairman Bryant declared the meeting adjourned.

ATTEST:

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Rebecca S. Carter                  Harry W. Bryant, Jr.
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